

Newsletter



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Kia ora Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Our second to last week of term has been a great one, with class speech and poem recitals, Aurora Leadership and a key focus on Te Reo Māori.

It has been fantastic to hear our native language being used regularly by teachers and our learners as we acknowledge Te Reo Māori language week by introducing a phrase each day to be used. These phrases have proven to be popular, with many learners taking these on and challenging themselves with this new learning. As mentioned in past newsletters if we can learn and use one new word / kupu a day this would go a long way to ensuring Te Reo Māori existence. Thank you to all of our whānau that attended our shared kai and games afternoon, it looked like everyone had an enjoyable time learning and participating in new games using Te Reo.

A huge congratulations to all of our speech finalists who made it through to our speech finals next week, this is a fantastic achievement and recognition of your hard mahi! In my humble opinion, every child that stood up and presented their speech is a champion! To stand in front of your peers and show confidence to share your thoughts and perspectives is truly courageous and that is what makes each and every one of our tamariki a winner.

Well done to all of our ākonga (students) who have accepted the challenge of participating in the Motu School Cross Country event next week. For many of our learners putting their hands up and taking up the challenge to push themselves on a true cross country course demonstrate the qualities that we expect from our ākonga. A key message that is consistently shared is that we want our learners to seize every opportunity that is made available to them at Ormond School and embrace the challenges in their learning journey whilst at Ormond. In this instant the old adage of 'if you don't try you'll never know if you would be successful or good at it' comes to mind, so well done to all who have taken on this challenge and good luck to you all.

All the best to Daisy Scott who is travelling to Napier to compete in the Hawkes Bay Primary Schools Cross Country. We are all cheering for you Daisy, give it your best and you will do great things!

On a personal note, I would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support during a very difficult time for myself and my family with the passing of my nephew. Your kindness and support has made an extremely sad time a little easier to manage.

Noho ora mai rā, Stay safe and have a great weekend! Jonathan Poole - Tumuaki / Principal



Aurora Leadership 2024

We were extremely proud watching our Aurora Leaders shine and being recognised for their mahi in this programme this year. With the focus for this year of stepping up and stepping out and leading with empathy, our 5 leaders made us all proud by organising a fundraising venture to support the SuperGrans organisation. It has been great to see their confidence and leadership skills grow.

Ka mau te wehi team!

From left to right:

Olivia, Zoe, Samuel, Indie, Rupert

F.L.A.X Award Recipients

BELLE



Belle you are getting this award today as you demonstrate each day what a powerful learner you can be. You make great choices about where to sit, understanding that sitting away from your friends is often best so you can focus on your learning. Even if other students around you are not doing the right thing you can manage to ignore distractions. As a result you have already reached many treasures in your short time at school. Kei runga noa atu koe! Keep sailing strong, many more treasures await you.

Well done Belle!

TOM

Tom, we loved seeing your confidence shine this week, when you delivered your speech in front of our class. We could see the time and effort you had put into learning it off by heart and this dedication earned you a place in the finals next week - we are proud of you! Your focus and determination in your learning means that you are making good progress in all areas of your learning and you are keen to share your knowledge with others. Keep up the good work Tom, you are a Powerful Learner Superhero, ka rawe!



INDIE



Indie, you have been an incredible role model in our class. You consistently demonstrate a strong ability to work independently, and your calm and quiet presence creates a positive atmosphere for everyone.

Not only are you a great mathematician, but you've also shown what a powerful learner you are in understanding position and orientation in maths, showcasing your impressive sense of direction. Your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed. You are shining brightly like the stars.

Ka pai to mahi—great work!

SAM

Sam you have been a super helper around the school the last couple of weeks. This week you volunteered your spare time when you had completed your learning to support Kindy with their garden project.

Towards the end of this week you have conducted some mature conversations around what you want to achieve both inside and outside the classroom and the steps you need to take to achieve these things.

Forward planning and goal setting is what powerful learners do!

Ka pai tō mahi!



TIDY KIWI AWARD - WEEK 9

Karakaka





COMMUNITY AFTERNOON TEA

Mr Poole's Farewell Assembly & Afternoon Tea

ORMOND SCHOOL HALL

27th September
1.30pm onwards
(Last day of School)

Let's all come together to celebrate what an outstanding job Mr Poole has done for our school and community for the last 9 years.

Key Dates Term Three

- 23rd September - Board Meeting
- 24th September - Motu Cross Country
- 24th September - Speech Finals
- 27th September - Last day of term
- 27th September - Mr Poole's farewell assembly & afternoon tea 1.30pm

Up and Coming dates Term Four

- 25th - 27th October - 150 year School Reunion Weekend
- 28th October - Labour Day
- 29th October - Teacher only day
- 30th October - Halloween Disco
- 30th October - Inter school Touch
- 1st November - Pet Day
- 5th November - School Athletics
- 6th November - Rural Speech Finals
- 12th November - Inter School Athletics
- 18th November - Turanganui-a-kiwa Kapa haka festival.
- 25th November - Year 5 & 6 Camp
- 2nd December - Year 6 Intermediate visits.
- 16th December - Last day of term

TERM 3 WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WEEK 9

Regular Attendance

66%

Regular attendance = attending more than 90% of the time or being in school 9 days a fortnight.

Irregular Attendance

3%

Irregular attendance = attending more than 80% and up to 90% of the time or being in school 8-9 days a fortnight.

Moderate Attendance

13%

Moderate attendance = attending more than 70% and up to 80% of the time or being in school 7 - 8 days a fortnight.

Chronic Attendance

18%

Chronic attendance = attending 70% or less of the time or being in school 7 or less days a fortnight.

EVERYDAY MATTERS

Dinosaur Coding In Kōwhai



Kōwhai used the PLAY CODE LEARN Dinosaur Steps as an introduction to coding. They worked out the path the explorer had to take to visit the dinosaurs and developed an algorithm to show the way. It was great fun!

Te Reo o Te Wiki



NOTICES & UPDATES

After School Pick Ups: Just a gentle reminder to sign your child out of the school grounds before you leave, either with Mrs T or a Teacher. If you are going to be late for pick ups, please let the school know (06 862 5725, e-mail, facebook messenger) so we are aware of this as Teachers and staff are not always available after 3pm due to meetings, Professional learning off site and on occasions their own commitments.

Ormond School Reunion: This is taking place on Labour weekend, 25th-27th October. We are asking if any whānau have any memorabilia (photos, etc) that these be brought into the school office. Photos will be scanned and returned immediately.

Shoe boxes: If you have any shoe boxes at home please bring into the School office for our pet day hospital boxes

Sports Uniforms: If we could please get all uniforms returned from Football, Hockey and the Mōtu Cross country to school by the end of term, so these can be checked and ready for the start of our summer codes.

PET DAY 2024

Pet Day this year is on Friday 1st November, the third week of next term.

We trust you will be thinking about Pet Day and hope that your children will use the holidays to get ready to enter their pets and items of choice.

The categories for entry items are as follows:

Things Children choose to make at home

- Wildflower and grasses in a jar
- Most unusual container
- Floral arrangement
- Miniature Garden - Junior/Senior (no bigger than 20cm x 30cm)
- Recycled wind chimes
- Vegetable novelties
- Baking:
 - Pikelets (Two on a plate for judging)
 - Cupcakes
 - Biscuits
 - Plain iced cake - to be sold at the conclusion of pet day (with permission)
 - Decorated cake - to be sold at the conclusion of pet day (with permission)
- Hospital box - Decorated ice cream container or shoe box with a get well card, posy and small chocolate bar. These get taken to the hospital for patients at the conclusion of Pet Day.

To make at school

- Sand saucers (Bring saucer/dish, flowers)

Pet Categories

- Kindergarten pet parade
- Best dressed pet and owner
- Birds (In cage)
- Cats (send in photo for judging office@ormond.school.nz)
- Puppies (under 1 yr old)
- Large dogs
- Small dogs
- Open pet section (if your pet has not been entered in another section)
- Best behaved pet (Must show obedience / follow instructions)
- Best Decorated Bike
- Lambs
- Champion Lamb



For all new parents that are unsure of how Pet Day works, there will be a demonstration display at school on Friday 2th September (last day of term)

Jonathan, Lynne, Mrs T, Raquel, Sophie, Angela, Michelle, Ash, Suellen, & Mike

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